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TO AMEMBASSY TAIPEI
AMEMBASSY MANILA

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SUBJECT: DOL SEMINAR ACTIVITIES

1. DIVISION OF SPECIAL PROGRAMS (DSP) OF LABOR DEPARTMENT (DOL) HAS RECEIVED A COPY OF LETTER TO AMEMBASSY TAIPEI FROM ROC DEPARTMENT OF LABOR PROPOSING DSP SEMINAR IN CALENDAR 77 DEALING WITH WORKER SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF PETRO-CHEMICAL INDUSTRY.

2. LAUER. DSP IS WILLING TO COMPLY WITH THE ROC REQUEST AND WE ARE WILLING TO APPROVE THAT COMPLIANCE PROVIDED THE EMBASSY CAN GIVE US SUFFICIENT JUSTIFICATION THAT IT IS IN THE U.S. INTEREST TO DO SO. WE WOULD THEREFORE APPRECIATE RECEIVING AN EARLY STATEMENT OF THE EMBASSY'S VIEWS ON THIS MATTER. IF IT APPEARS TO BE SUFFICIENTLY IN THE U.S. INTEREST TO COMPLY WITH THE ROC REQUEST, DOL PROPOSES BRIEF VISIT BY LELAND SNOW BETWEEN MAY 15-30 TO
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MEET WITH EMBASSY AND ROC OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS SUBSTANTIVE CONTENT OF SEMINAR, FIX SEMINAR DATES, DETERMINE NUMBER AND LEVEL OF EXPERIENCE OF ROC PARTICIPANTS EXPECTED TO ATTEND SEMINAR, AND AGREE UPON TYPES OF U.S. EXPERTS TO BE RECRUITED FOR SEMINAR. REQUEST EMBASSY SUGGEST PRECISE DATES WITHIN MAY 15-30 FRAMEWORK, WITH INFO COPY TO MANILA.

3. LAUER. RE ROC PROPOSAL FOR EXPANDING SEMINAR TO TWO WEEK DURATION: IN VIEW OF POSSIBILITY THAT SEMINAR WILL ALSO BE CONDUCTED IN MANILA, TIME REQUIRED FOR U.S. EXPERTS TO BE AWAY FROM JOBS POSES RECRUITING DIFFICULTIES. DSP SUGGESTS ROC CONSIDER FIVE DAY SEMINAR, WITH ADDITIONAL THREE DAYS DEVOTED TO SEMINAR RELATED ACTIVITIES, I.E., DISCUSSION WITH ROC OFFICIALS AND PLANT MANAGERS AND TOURS OF REPRESENTATIVE PETRO-CHEMICAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

4. LINDAHL. DSP OFFICERS DISCUSSED ROC PROPOSAL WITH

KEN HUTCHINSON, AAFLI, PHILIPPINE COUNTRY DIRECTOR, DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO WASHINGTON. HUTCHINSON INDICATED SUBJECT MATTER OF TAIWAN SEMINAR WOULD BE USEFUL FOR PHILIPPINES.

5. LINDAHL. DOL PROPOSES THAT SNOW STOP IN MANILA FOLLOWING VISIT TO TAIPEI TO DISCUSS WITH EMBASSY AND GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES PLANS TO PRESENT THE SAME OR SIMILAR PROGRAM IN PHILIPPINES. REQUEST EMBASSY REACTION ASAP, WITH INFO COPY TO TAIPEI. VANCE

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